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Message:

Dear Thao:

Per our earlier telephone conversation yesterday, attached please find our verified statement claiming small entity status for Patent No. 5,886,274. However, we mistakenly filed a first maintenance fee payment on September 18, 2002 including payment of \$880.00 as a large entity. We request a refund of the difference (\$440.00) to be credited to Deposit Account No. 06-0600.

Thank you very much for your help in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Eppa Hite